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Mrs. Shipley:

While Anna Louise Shubin has in the past had a passport as a correspondent, I understand that Mr. Murphy in Eu regards her as ~~an alien~~ propagandist who should not be facilitated in her travels. He has been reading Friday Magazine and I suggest that this case be referred to him.

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limited because few Chinese dare associate or even talk with members of this staff. A Chinese teacher who heard Miss

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Moscow, November 27, 1936.

No. 2106.

Subject: Amendment of Passport of Anna Louise Strong to Include Married Name.

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130-STRONG, ANNA LOUISE

The Honorable

The Secretary of State,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I have the honor to refer to the Department's instruction of May 5, 1936 (File No. 130 - Strong, Anna Louise), instructing the Embassy to amend the passport of Anna Louise Strong to include her married name.

Miss Strong called at the Embassy on October 1, 1936, in response to its invitation. She was advised of the pertinent part of the Department's instruction, above-mentioned, and agreed to have the amendment executed.

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executed. The application for amendment was typed out and upon examining it Miss Strong refused to sign it and stated that in no part of the world was she known officially as Mrs. Shubin. She stated that before executing the application she would prefer to discuss the matter with her husband, Joel Shubin, to decide whether her name should appear as "Anna Louise Strong Shubin, known as Anna Louise Strong", or "Anna Louise Strong, wife of Joel Shubin". Although she stated that she would return to the Embassy the following day to complete her application, she has not since called.

On November 13, 1936, Miss Strong was reached by telephone. She stated that she had been ill and had been unable to call at the Embassy. She further stated that, in the meantime, she had referred the matter to her attorney in New York for an opinion concerning the legal aspects of the case with respect to whether she might be held to have perjured herself since in the application upon which her passport was issued she swore that she was unmarried. She states that while under Soviet law she considers herself to be married, she feels that she is not married in accordance with American law.

Miss Strong has promised to communicate with the Embassy as soon as she receives a reply from her attorney.

Incidentally,

Incidentally, passport No. 68714, issued to Miss Strong by the Department on November 17, 1933, the loss of which was brought to the attention of the Department in an affidavit executed at this mission by Miss Strong on December 13, 1934, has been recovered and returned to the Embassy by the People's Commissariat for Foreign Affairs, with the comment that it was lost by Miss Strong at the hotel at Station Nalchik, Kabardino-Balkarskaya Autonomous Oblast, Northern Caucasus. When questioned regarding the matter, Miss Strong stated that she had made a visit to Nalchik and probably left the passport there, although in the Soviet Union it has been her practice to travel on her vid na zhitelstvo (Soviet residence permit as issued to foreigners) and to leave her passport at her office. The passport has been destroyed by the Embassy.

Respectfully yours,

For the Chargé d'Affaires ad interim:

A. I. Ward
Chief of Consular Section.

130 - Strong, Anna Louise

WTC:mdr

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